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## PRACTICAL MAGIC

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## Hello, Everyone!

Today we are celebrating a momentous occasion here at The Monroe Institute—the birth of Robert A. Monroe on October 30, 1915.

In one way or another Bob made a big impression on just about everyone he interacted with. I count myself at the top of that list! I was ten years old in 1962 when I first encountered "Mr. Monroe." Later, in 1966, he became a friend of the family and brought magic into my life.

Once he gave me a prismatic metal object that flashed rainbows, saying "When you turn this, and focus on this, and ask a question, you can get answers." Such a concept was not then part of my lexicon, and it shifted forever the way I saw reality.

I am certainly not unique in that respect. Today, I feel it's safe to say that millions of people have experienced shifts, major and minor, as a result of Bob's "magic."

As we prepare to roll out the next hundred years, Bob's influence remains a guiding presence. He was always ten years ahead of his time. In the role of executive director and president of TMI, I find myself asking, what would Bob do? Not in an effort to constrain the Institute by what I might imagine Bob would want. Rather, with his long vision, what might he see as the future of the world from this current vantage point?

Throughout 2015, we asked you to tell us how Bob Monroe changed your lives. And you responded! We said we would compile what we received and let you know how it would be used. So, here it is: you inspired us to develop a video project, one that will be produced over the next year and released by Bob's 101st birthday in October of 2016.

In the meantime, we are pleased to announce the release of a very special video created and produced by TMI's own Mike George for the occasion of Bob's centennial. Scroll down in the newsletter to view the animated short. I feel it captures the essence of Bob.

And please join us non-physically tonight at the Nancy Penn Center crystal here at TMI to launch the next hundred years. Together we are redefining the nature of consciousness.

With my deepest appreciation and great anticipation,

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